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SOROSIS IN GALA ATTIRE.

A BRILLIANT CELEBRATION OF HER TWENTY-SECOND BIRTHDAY.

An elaborate reception to Miss Amelia B. Edwards, the famous author, was given at the home of her friends, the Edwardses, on Tuesday evening last. The celebration of her twenty-second birthday was a brilliant affair. The room was decorated with flowers and garlands. The guests were dressed in gala attire. The celebration was a great success.

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HERE'S THE NEW TARIFF BILL.

IT WILL PROBABLY REDUCE THE REVENUE \$50,000,000 A YEAR.

An Average Reduction of 50 Per Cent. on Raw Sugar—Important Changes in the Internal Revenue—The Schedules Arranged by Mr. McKinley and the Other Republicans of the Ways and Means.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Having settled the big fight over the sugar question after a deadlock of several weeks, the Ways and Means Committee have now almost completed the preparation of their tariff bill. The most important items have been arranged and only the finishing corrections remain to be added. The committee had a protracted session this afternoon, and a very lively discussion took place on the question of the duty on lead ore. The result was that the measures of Secretary Windom and the Administration were beaten, and a proposition to impose a duty of one and a half per cent. on lead ores was agreed to. This conclusion was reached only after the most bitter opposition on the part of several members of the committee who claimed that it was a suicidal policy for the Republicans to endeavor our growing trade with Europe by constructing a tariff on employment of 1,000 or more men engaged in handling and smelting the imported lead. The lead men upheld their cause vigorously, however, and finally won the day.

Much had feeling was created as the result of the discussion of this question. Secretary Windom has persistently refused, backed up by the President, to consent to any measure that would restrict the importation of lead ore, practically free of duty, and the action of the committee is therefore especially significant.

The tobacco schedule has not yet been arranged, but an attempt was made to settle it to-day. It was unsuccessful, owing to the fact that the duty on cigars was reduced to 10 per cent. The question will come up again to-morrow. It was objected that a small reduction will be made, amounting in all to about \$10,000,000.

Cigars and cheroots will be left out at present, but the special license tax and the restrictions on selling the unmanufactured leaf will be removed.

A tax of a half cent will be placed on raw silk. Another rather important reduction was made to-day at the suggestion of the Western members of the committee, who secured a reduction of the duty on molasses to about 25 per cent., which is a cut of about 30 per cent. The men who gained the point think it gives them an additional reason for calling for their bill. It is in the interest of the farmers and laboring men. To this end they have also placed a stiff duty on all American farm products and enlarged the free list by placing on it all such articles not raised in this country.

Mr. McKimley came out practically victorious in the contest over the sugar schedule. The reduction proposed is very nearly what he has been contending for all along, and he was especially victorious in defeating the proposition of Messrs. Gear, Burrows, and La Follette for the payment of a bounty.

The proposed cut on raw sugar below 16 per cent. is standard to 25 per cent. ad valorem and on refined sugar below 16 per cent. ad valorem is equivalent to an average reduction of about 15 per cent., and will make an estimated reduction in the revenue of \$25,000,000. This cut is more than two and a half times that proposed by the Mills bill, which was also different in that it imposed a reduction on the public's regard this heavy reduction in the sugar duties as a most generous concession to Western farmers. The rate is lower than that proposed by the Senate bill, which made a reduction of 30 per cent. and provided for a bounty of one cent a pound.

Several of the Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee, however, do not intend to say that they will have a majority in putting their bill through the House. The sugarmen, so-called, are very much disappointed at the action of the committee, and will soon hold a conference to determine what action they will take. A number of them are disposed to fight the bill on the floor, but the majority are inclined to support it. This will be done, the arrangement of the schedule is a compromise, and it is quite probable that the disaffected members will be whipped into line without great trouble.

Mr. McKimley of California, the member of the committee who, with Gov. Gear, has had charge of the sugar schedule, is very much disappointed that he has not been able to make a small cut. He was obliged to submit, however, and now says that he is for the bill. The duty given to refiners is only 5 per cent. more than that given the raw sugar men, and the classifying of raw sugar at 16 or below will admit two grades of merchantable sugar for domestic use. It is hoped by the sugar men that this will enable them to take away from the refiners the power to raise the price of sugar to the consumer at will.

The Republican members of the committee think that the bill has been so prepared that they can say to the country that they have carried out the long-felt want of a high tax on the luxuries and a low tax on the necessities.

It is possible that a meeting of the full committee will be held in a few days, when the completed bill of the Republicans will be submitted, and that it can be brought into the House early next week and called up for discussion not later than the 1st of April.

By Associated Press.

NOT MRS. HENRICK'S BODY.

ANOTHER WOMAN IN THE COFFIN HENRICK TOOK TO SOUTH ATKINSON.

Minneapolis, March 18.—A mysterious case, which promises sensational developments, is being investigated by the police at the little village of South Atkinson. The crime, if there was a crime, was probably committed in New York city. South Atkinson was only used as a place in which to cover up the deed, the very boldness of which nearly resulted in its successful execution.

Minnie Sawyer was the bride of South Atkinson. She was pretty, and everybody in the little place knew and loved her. George Henrick was one of her many admirers, and when a few years ago he went to New York he carried with him Minnie Sawyer's promise to be his wife. About a year ago he returned to South Atkinson and the lovers were married. Henrick and his bride lived in a small house in the village, and his bride was very happy. Henrick's letters to her parents gave glowing accounts of her happy life, and there was no suggestion of trouble.

Early last week a letter was received from the young husband. He said that his wife was sick with the grip, but he thought it was nothing serious. The letter was not answered, and his wife was not heard from again. Henrick seemed to be deeply affected by his loss, and in a voice broken by sobs he had said, "I had suffered a relapse and had died suddenly."

The "doctor" confirmed the story of the death and urged the necessity of immediate burial. The young husband insisted that the burial should take place that afternoon. The doctor would not consent to have the coffin opened, saying that decomposition was so far advanced that the body would be in a condition to be seen by the parents. The husband also refused to allow his wife's face to be uncovered. But the parents would not have their daughter buried in such haste, so the funeral was set for yesterday afternoon.

The parents had by that time sufficiently overcome the terrors of grief to tell a few strange tales to the neighbors. The stories told of the doctor and the husband. The father, too, accused their son-in-law. He was very nervous, and kept close watch over the body. He seemed to be less imbued with grief than with a desire to keep other people away from the coffin.

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